

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Dr. James Crowley Ciba-Geigy Corporation 180 Mill Street Cranston, RI

Subject: Hazardous Waste Inspection Conducted at your facility on February 11, 1981

Dear Doctor Crowley:

The inspection conducted on February 11 was generally favorable. However, two items noted during the inspection require corrective action by your company. They are:

- The used sulfuric acid shipped off-site by your company for reclaiming must be manifested under RI Regulation.
- 2) The hazardous waste drum storage area(s) must be upgraded to meet the requirements of Rule 2 of the Generator Regulations regarding spill control capabilities. Generally this means that hazardous waste storage areas must be constructed with an impervious base material and surrounded by a spill containment device.

One question came up regarding the containment berms around your firms' hazardous waste storage tanks. Do the containment berms have any drains, and if so where do the drains lead? What would happen if a tank leaked or ruptured its contents into the berm?

Please contact me at 277-2797 if you have any questions.

With best regards,

Thomas J. Dolce, Principal Engineer Division of Air and Hazardous Materials

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